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A Question for the amendment of the document applied

The information of the document concerned

Title: Preventive and therapeutic agents for microbe-related syndromes including
HIV

Application number: 10/066,224.

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Dear Mr. Wityshyn,

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Kazuo Sakuma who has applied a patent. He does appreciate for all the documents dated 02/23/2005 PTO sent.

As Ms. Ruth A. Davis has not been in the office I would like to ask you to take care of our inquiry mentioned as follows.

Mr. Sakuma, the inventor above, would like to amend some sentences of Claim 1 because the previous translation (from Japanese into English) was wrong. Terms, molecular mass, were missing in Claim 1 of the previous application. He believes there is a structural difference between the claimed composition and the composition of the prior art. He intends to amend Claim 1 as follows in order to clarify the difference.

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Could you accept the following as Claim 1?

If yes, he will amend all the claims in the paper.

Claim 1 amended

The therapeutic agents with reverse transcriptase inhibitor whose molecular mass is fewer than 450,000 extracted from Kabanoanatake as active ingredients and having therapeutic effects on various syndromes possibly caused by the microbes including HIV, a species of retroviruses, ATL (adult T-cell leukemia) and pathogenic bacteria.

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I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Takafumi Utsumi

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